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CITY OF SACO.

MAYOR'S ADDRESS

AND

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

CITY GOVERNMENT,

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

Ending February 28, 1870.



SACO, MAINE,  
*Wm. S. Noyes & Co., Printers.*  
1870.

## CITY OF S A C O .

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IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, }  
*April 4, 1870.* }

ORDERED, That the Committee on Printing be authorized and directed to cause to be printed, in pamphlet form, eight hundred copies of the Annual Reports, including the Address of the Mayor.

Read and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Attest: JOS. L. MILLIKEN, *City Clerk.*

IN BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL, }  
*April 4, 1870.* }

Read and passed in concurrence.

Attest: ALBERT C. SAWYER, *Clerk.*

INAUGURAL ADDRESS  
OF THE  
HON. MOSES LOWELL,  
MAYOR,  
TO  
THE CITY COUNCIL OF SACO,  
DELIVERED

Before the two Branches in Convention, March 21, A. D. 1870.

# ADDRESS.

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## GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

A new municipal year has opened : to us has been committed the charge of conducting the affairs of the City, and we can best show our sense of the honor bestowed upon us by a faithful and conscientious endeavor to promote its interests, and do our duty fully in the positions we are called to fill. It is incumbent upon me to refer to you, as occasion demands, such information as I may receive, and make such suggestions as appear to me calculated to promote the prosperity, and facilitate the business of the City.

The reports of the various officials of the year just expired, giving at length the operations in their several departments, with such recommendations for future guidance as occurs to them, will be laid before you for your consideration—but it is proper for me to call to your notice in outline, such matters of general importance and interest as will necessarily come before you for action. I accordingly present the following review of the past, and suggestions for the future.

## FINANCIAL.

The net income of the City during the financial year ending February 28, 1870, was derived from taxes assessed for

State Tax,	\$20,952 68
County Tax,	5,084 69
City Appropriations,	41,600 00

Amount carried forward,

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\$67,637 37

Amount brought forward,		\$67,637 37
Overlayings,	1,191 33	
Supplementary Tax,	117 00	
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Total Assessment,	\$68,945 70	\$68,945 70

The net expenses, after deducting sun-		
dry items of revenue, have been		\$67,935 66
Showing a reduction of the City Debt,		
from sources enumerated, of		1,010 04

There have been received from the State,		
as reimbursement for bounties paid :		
State Bonds,	27,700 00	
Cash,	8 33	
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	\$27,708 33	\$27,708 33

Which amount added to the excess of		
income over expenses for the year, will		
exhibit a reduction of the Debt, a-		
mounting to		\$28,718 37

The Balance of City Debt, March 1,		
1869, was	\$84,132 23	
Deduct amt. stated above,	28,718 37	
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Balance of Debt, Feb. 28, 1870,	\$55,413 86	\$55,413 86
And consists of the following Debts and Credits :		

#### LIABILITIES.

City Bonds.	\$49,000 00	
City Notes,	35,225 39	
County of York, County Tax,	2,584 69	
Interest on City Debt,	1,021 30	
Land Damages,	86 84	
State of Maine, State Tax,	10,452 68	
School Districts,	303 85	
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Total Liabilities,	\$98,674 75	\$98,674 75

## ASSETS.

David Tuxbury, Collector 1866,	\$46 77	
“ “ “ “ ’67	454 37	
“ “ “ “ ’68,	949 31	
Side Walk assessment, 1868,	19 44	
J. F. Dearing, Collector 1869,	14,454 71	
State of Maine Bonds,	26,700 00	
State of Maine, State School Fund,	141 92	
State of Maine, State Pensions,	105 00	
School District No. 1,	26 72	
J. W. Beatty, Treas’r,	362 65	
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Total Assets,	\$43,260 89	\$43,260 89
Balance of Debt Feb. 27, 1870,		55,413 86

The balances remaining to the credit of the different accounts at the close of the year were as follows :

Contingent Expenses,	\$656 54	
City Officers,	93 57	
Discount on Taxes,	3 81	
Fire Department,	186 44	
Interest on City Debt,	851 55	
New Engine House,	49 46	
Police and Night Watch,	97 15	
Printing, Stationery and Books,	4 10	
Paupers,	425 66	
Streets and Highways,	669 60	
Street Lamps,	1 66	
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	\$3,039 54	\$3,039 54

The deficiencies in the different accounts at the close of the year were as follows, viz :

Overlayings,	\$1,080 93	
Reservoirs,	652 97	
Sewers and Drains,	163 72	
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Amount carried forward,		\$1,897 62

Amount brought forward,		\$1,897 62
Repairs on Bridges,	64 96	
Side Walks and Cross Walks,	66 92	
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	\$2,029 50	\$2,029 50
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Balance unexpended,		\$1,010 04

It will be observed that in a few of the accounts the net expenditures have exceeded the income, most of the excess being in the account of Overlayings, against which the Abatements are chargeable and in the Reservoir account.

There was assessed for Overlayings the sum of \$1,191 33, being less than 1 3/4 per cent. of the Tax Committed, which amount proved to be wholly inadequate to meet the Abatements allowed by the Assessors. The Abatements last year were much larger than usual, owing to a decision of the Supreme Court, which declared in substance that Municipal Taxes on the investments of Savings Institutions in personal property were illegal and void. As the Saco and Biddeford Saving Institution was taxed for about \$800 00 on property of this description, before that decision was known, it became necessary to abate it and save that amount from the general Appropriations. This, with the usual abatements exceeded the overlayings the amount stated.

In the month of May when the annual appropriations were made, there was appropriated for Reservoirs the sum of \$500,00. Subsequently in the month of August the City Council in accordance with the recommendation of the Engineers of the Fire Department for years past, ordered a large Reservoir built near the City Hall and ordered transferred from the Appropriation for Contingent Expenses \$500 00, and from the Appropriation for Side Walks and Cross Walks \$300 00, to the Appropriation for Reservoirs, leaving to the credit of the accounts from which these transfers were ordered a sum supposed to be sufficient to meet the expenditures in those departments.

The original appropriation for reservoirs and the transfers thereto amounting in all to \$1,300 00, was the amount estimated by the Committee on Fire Department as necessary to con-



struct a Reservoir of the size agreed upon by the Committee and City Council.

There was some unavoidable delay in excavating, owing to the difficulty in procuring a contract to do the Stone Work at a reasonable price, without waiting until the contractor who finally did the work, finished a job he had commenced for other parties. As soon as the contract was effected, work was immediately commenced and when the excavation was completed, there came on the violent storm in September which occasioned so much damage throughout the State and in consequence thereof and of other rains which followed in succession, the earth caved badly and considerable expense was incurred in removing it. At that time, it became evident to the committee that the wall for which they had contracted was too light for a reservoir of that size and accordingly one of a larger size was substituted and braces from the wall to the centre piers were put in. These expenses together with the expense of planking the bottom of the reservoir, rendered necessary by the blue clay foundation, accounts for the excess of expenditures over appropriation.

The additional cost of the Reservoir in consequence of the rains was less than \$300 00, while the saving in the stone work by delaying a few weeks was about that amount, as no other party could be found to do the work so cheap as it was done.

It will be observed that in most of the accounts there has been quite a saving, amounting in the aggregate to \$3,039 54, being \$1,010 54 more than the deficiencies above stated. There were less unpaid bills and unavailable assets at the close of the year, than at any time for many years.

The property of the City appears from the Report of the Auditor to have been increased \$2,189 05.

This exhibit calls for more than a passing notice and in the highest degree creditable to the City Council which has just preceded us, and will, I trust, stimulate us to emulate them in confining the expenses of the City within the Appropriations.

## SCHOOLS.

First in importance and interest is our School system. In im-

portance, for upon it rests our present standing and future prosperity ; in interest, because every parent, and every friend of humanity and progress desires to see such measures adopted as are best calculated to raise the standard of attainment and education, and prepare our children and youth for future usefulness.

Our Primary, Intermediate, and Grammar Schools are in good condition ; they are taught by carefully selected instructors, and fill the whole position assigned to them. Our High School is a thing of the past. Suspended for the present, its suspension threatens to become permanent, unless immediate action is taken by the City. We now have to bear the mortification of seeing our more advanced scholars sent to the Biddeford High School, for the education, which it is our duty, and should be our pride, to furnish them at home.

Nor should these advantages be confined to a limited locality as has been the case, but we ought to have a High School open to every child of suitable attainments in the City. For this reason I suggest a consolidation of the various School Districts of the City into one. While there may be some apparent objections to the plan, a careful investigation will, I think, convince you that it is the most economical and just arrangement that can be made ; all the citizens sharing the burden and all enjoying the benefits of a system which shall give to every child an education that will fit him for active business or a further pursuit of knowledge in our colleges.

Our pressing want, at present, however, is a new School House ; our population has increased beyond our accommodations, and we cannot reasonably put off our responsibility any longer.

The High School was suspended ostensibly for lack of a suitable school room, and I earnestly recommend that immediate action be taken to build and furnish a School House suitable for a High School, and such others as are now suspended, or held in such places as are discouraging to pupils and teachers, and disgraceful to us.

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

These subjects will be carefully considered by you.

Somes' Bridge is very defective and must probably be entirely rebuilt. Milliken's Mill Road has been duly accepted and must be built the present year. The other Roads are in good order and will not probably require more than the ordinary annual expenditure.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Our Fire Department is in good condition and consists of Steamer Saco, and two Hand Engines besides the Hook and Ladder without a company. During the past year the Niagara was put in commission and manned by an efficient Company. Since May last there has been a comparative freedom from incendiary fires.

This Department especially deserves our fostering care, since upon its efficiency depends in a great measure our prosperity and security. I would call your attention to the recommendation of the Chief Engineer relative to the purchasing of horses for the Steamer so that it may be in constant readiness.

### PAUPERS.

The expense of the support of the Poor, the past year has not been more than usual. I think the time has arrived when better accommodations must be provided for those unfortunates committed to our care. Our farm must be exchanged or new Buildings erected. The present Buildings are decaying and becoming worthless and are entirely unfit for their present use. I refer you for particulars to the Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

The Main Street Sewer has been extended a little above the City Hall. I recommend an appropriation to complete it to the point designated by the plan. The actual outlay will be to some extent refunded by the abutters seeking entry to it for their private drains. Two gas lamps have been added on Middle St. which is now well lighted ; some further provision may be advisable for other localities.

I would recommend a small Appropriation for the purpose of grading the Common. Many of our citizens are ready to plant trees there, at their own expense, and the sooner the grounds can be prepared, the earlier will we have a beautiful Common instead of a barren waste.

Our Municipal Court Room has been changed and is now not unworthy of our City. A little additional furnishing will make it all that can be desired.

In conclusion, Gentlemen, I request your hearty cooperation with me in the Administration of the City Government. Let each man be at his post. By our Acceptance of our Position we have virtually agreed to use our best powers for the benefit of the City and devote what time is necessary to a faithful discharge of our duties, let us honorably carry out that agreement. Prompt attendance to the business presenting itself should be our rule in public as in private matters.

By so doing we shall meet the approval of our own consciences and have the satisfaction of knowing that we have done what we could, and when our Successors take our places may they find a clean record of an honest, faithful and straight forward conduct of Public Affairs

MOSES LOWELL.

**GOVERNMENT**

O

**THE CITY OF SACO.**

**1870.**

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**MAYOR.**  
**MOSES LOWELL.**

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**ALDERMEN.**

**WARD 1.** IVORY LORD.  
“ 2. TRISTRAM JORDAN.  
“ 3. NATHANIEL T. BOOTHBY.  
“ 4. JOHN HANSCOM.  
“ 5. EDWARD P. BURNHAM.  
“ 6. STEPHEN C. LIBBY.  
“ 7. CHARLES M. LITTLEFIELD.

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**CITY CLERK.**  
**JOSEPH L. MILLIKEN.**

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**COMMON COUNCIL.**

**LEWIS HODSDON, *President.***

**WARD 1.** ELIJAH YOUNG,  
LAWRENCE JORDAN.  
“ 2. WILLIAM H. LORD,  
HENRY SIMPSON.  
“ 3. MARTIN H. DEARING,  
ISAIAH P. MILLIKEN.

- WARD 4. TRACY HEWES,  
DAVIS GOOGINS.
- “ 5. LEWIS HODSDON,  
WILLIAM H. WEBSTER.
- “ 6. MARK PRIME,  
ALBION SANDS.
- “ 7. OWEN B. CHADBOURNE,  
SAMUEL CHASE.

CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL.  
ALBERT C. SAWYER.

WARD OFFICERS.

	WARDENS.	WARD CLERKS.
WARD 1.	James I. Buck.	George E. Fogg.
“ 2.	Horace Woodman.	Alfred C. Tuxbury.
“ 3.	Charles F. Ward.	George H. Boothby.
“ 4.	Cyrus King.	Joseph H. Whitehead.
“ 5.	Augustus B. Austin.	Charles C. Temple.
“ 6.	Joseph Getchell.	John Chadwick.
“ 7.	James Beatty.	Seth M. Chadbourne.

CONSTABLES.

- WARD 1. Charles S. Bryant.
- “ 2. Richard L. K. Grant.
- “ 3. Albion K. P. Whitney.
- “ 4. William H. Smith.
- “ 5. Joseph Hardy.
- “ 6. George W. Usher.
- “ 7. Joseph F. Chadbourne.

*Judge of the Municipal Court.*—George A. Emery.

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*City Solicitor.*—Edwin B. Smith.

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*Treasurer.*—Jason W. Beatty.

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*Collector.*—Joseph F. Dearing.

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*Auditor.*—Charles Littlefield.

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*Assessors.*—Ivory Lord, William E. Donnell, Charles Littlefield.

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*Overseers of Poor.*—Francis A. Boothby, Paul C. Sands, James Andrews.

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*Board of Health.*—J. E. L. Kimball, Stephen C. Libby, Edwin B. Smith.

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*City Physician.*—J. E. L. Kimball.

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*Chief Engineer of Fire Department.*—Owen B. Chadbourne, Augustus Lord, 1st Assistant, Daniel S. Sands, 2d Assistant.

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*Police Officers.*—Oren Fenderson, Calvin Bennett.

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*Keeper of City Jail.*—Calvin Bennett.

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*Superintending School Committee.*—Manson Seavy, Charles H. Milliken, Edward Eastman.

## SCHOOL AGENTS.

Dist. No. 1, Albion Sands.	Dist. No. 5, Wm. O. M. Haines.
Samuel Chase,	" " 6, David McKenney.
Alfred G. Printiss.	" " 7, Hiram Hill.
" " 2, Abiatha W. Leavitt.	" " 8, Oren Parcher.
" " 3, Bradbury Seavey.	" " 9, Charles Runnells.
" " 4, George H. Merrill.	

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## SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

Living H. Lane.	Charles Littlefield.
Daniel Rounds,	Joseph L. Hobson,
George W. Usher,	Stephen Watson,
Charles M. Littlefield.	Joseph F. Graffam,
James Andrews,	Frederic Dunn,
Michael N. Milliken.	Nahum McKusick,
Joseph M. Jordan,	Daniel L. Toppan,
Martin H. Dearing,	James M. Burbank,
Albion K. P. Chellis,	Alfred C. Tuxbury,
Arthur B. Haines,	Levi Boothby,
Horace Phillips,	John C. Cummings,
Abiatha W. Leavitt.	Samuel C. Hamilton.
John Jameson,	Albert L. Harlow,
Joseph Milliken.	Joseph F. Adams.

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## SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Living H. Lane,	Joseph L. Hobson,
Lewis McKenney,	Charles Littlefield,
William H. Webster,	Martin H. Dearing,
Amos T. Marston.	Frederic Dunn,
Samuel Berry,	Albert L. Harlow,
Ira C. Doe,	Michael N. Milliken.
Dominicus Jordan.	Thomas J. Banks,
Manson Seavy,	Daniel L. Toppan.
Winfield S. Dennett.	



## COMMISSIONERS OF ROADS AND STREETS.

DIST. NO. 1. William H. Deering.

“ “ 2. George Ricker.

“ “ 3. John Jameson.

“ “ 4. Joseph G. Deering.

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*Port Wardens.*—Nathaniel Fernald, Abraham Cutter, John Dearing, Abiatha W. Leavitt, David Patterson.

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*City Weighers.*—Alfred C. Tuxbury, Abraham Cutter, Joseph Richards.

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*Fence Viewers.*—Lewis McKenney, Theodore Stevens, Charles Milliken, Benjamin Boothby, Stephen L. Purinton, Ira C. Doe, Joseph Bradbury.

*Culler of Staves.*—Harrison Cleaves, Benjamin Prescott, James M. Burbank, William Stevenson, 2d.

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*Pound Keeper.*—James J. Wiggin.

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*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*—Enoch Lowell.

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## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

*On Finance.*—The Mayor, Alderman Edward P. Burnham, Councilmen Owen B. Chadbourne, Tracy Hewes.

*On Accounts.*—Alderman Stephen C. Libby, Councilmen Albion Sands, Samuel Chase.

*On Public Property.*—The Mayor, Alderman Nathaniel T. Boothby, Councilmen Owen B. Chadbourne, Isaiah P. Milliken.

*On Printing.*—Alderman Nathaniel T. Boothby, Councilmen Mark Prime, Albion Sands.

*On Public Instruction.*—The Mayor, Alderman Stephen C. Libby, Councilmen Lewis Hodsdon, Henry Simpson, Elijah Young.

*On Sewers and Drains.*—Alderman Tristram Jordan, Councilmen Tracy Hewes, Samuel Chase.

*On the Poor.*—Alderman John Hanscom, Councilmen Albion Sands, Lawrence Jordan.

*On Ordinances.*—The Mayor, Councilmen William H. Webster, Owen B. Chadbourne.

*On Streets.*—The Mayor, Alderman Ivory Lord, Councilmen Martin H. Dearing, Samuel Chase, William H. Lord.

*On Fire Department.*—Alderman Charles M. Littlefield, Councilmen Mark Prime, William H. Webster.

*On Lighting Streets.*—The Mayor, Councilmen Lewis Hodsdon, Davis Googins.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

*On the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors.*—Aldermen Tristram Jordan, John Hanscom, Stephen C. Libby.

*On Police.*—The Mayor, Aldermen Nathaniel T. Boothby, Charles M. Littlefield.

*On Licenses.*—The Mayor, Aldermen Charles M. Littlefield, Ivory Lord.

*On Enrolled Bills.*—Aldermen Edward P. Burnham, John Hanscom, Nathaniel T. Boothby.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

*On Elections.*—Councilmen Samuel Chase, Elijah Young, Lawrence Jordan.

*On Enrolled Bills.*—Councilmen Tracy Hewes, Henry Simpson, William H. Lord.

**S Y N O P S I S**  
**OF**  
**A U D I T O R ' S   R E P O R T .**

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CITY OF SACO, February 28, 1870.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL :

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to submit to you my Report of the Receipts, Expenditures and Appropriations of the City from March 1, 1869, to February 28, 1870, inclusive :

The amount of money raised the past year by taxation, was	\$68,945 70
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This sum was appropriated as follows :

For State Tax,	\$20,952 68
County Tax,	5,084 69
Schools,	7,500 00
Streets and Highways,	6,250 00
Contingent Expenses,	2,500 00
Interest on City Debt,	4,500 00
Discount on Taxes,	3,000 00
City Officers,	3,000 00
Police and Night Watch,	1,500 00
Printing, Stationery and Books,	500 00
Paupers,	2,500 00
Fire Dpartment,	3,200 00
Amount carried forward,	\$60.487 37

Amount brought forward,		60,487 37
For Street Lamps,	700 00	
Side-Walks and Cross-Walks,	500 00	
Improvement of Common,	200 00	
Cole's Brook Bridge,	800 00	
Sewers and Drains,	2,200 00	
New Engine House,	350 00	
Reservoirs,	500 00	
Repairs on Bridges,	1,000 00	
Maple Street and Irving Street,	900 00	
Overlayings,	1,191 33	
Supplemental Tax,	117 00	
	<hr/>	8,458 33
		<hr/>
		68,945 70
<i>City Officers,</i>		
Appropriation,		\$3,000 00
Expenditures,	2,906 43	
Transferred to moneys un-		
appropriated,	93 57	
	<hr/>	3,000 00
<i>Contingent Expenses.</i>		
Appropriation,	\$2,500 00	
Credits from various sources,	1,027 58	
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Transferred to Reservoirs,	500 00	
Expenditures,	2,371 04	
Transferred to moneys unappro-		
priated,	656 54	
	<hr/>	3,527 58
<i>Cole's Brook Bridge.</i>		
Appropriation,		800 00
Expenditures,		800 00

*Discount on Taxes.*

Appropriation,		\$3,000 00
Expenditures,	2,996 19	
Transferred to moneys unappropriated,	3 81	
	<hr/>	3,000 00

*Fire Department.*

Appropriation,		\$3,200 00
Expenditures,	3,013 56	
Transferred to moneys unappropriated,	186 44	
	<hr/>	3,200 00

*Interest on City Debt.*

Appropriation,	4,500 00	
Received for interest on Taxes,	369 23	
“ “ “ “ State Bonds	688 83	
	<hr/>	5,558 06

Interest accrued,	297 53	
Paid Interest on Coupons,	2,895 33	
“ “ “ City Notes,	1,513 65	
Transferred to moneys unappropriated,	851 55	
	<hr/>	5,558 06

*Improvement of Common.*

Appropriation,	\$200 00
Expenditures,	200 00

*Maple and Irving Streets.*

Appropriation,	900 00
Expenditures,	900 00

*New Engine House.*

Appropriation,		\$350 00
Expenditures,	300 54	
Transferred to moneys unappro-		
priated,	49 46	
	<hr/>	350 00

*Overlayings.*

Expenditures for abatements,		\$2,272 26
Amount assessed,	\$1,191 33	
Transferred from moneys unap-		
priated,	1,080 93	
	<hr/>	2,272 26

*Police and Night Watch..*

Appropriation,		\$1,500 00
Expenditures,	\$1,402 85	
Transferred to moneys unappro-		
priated,	97 15	
	<hr/>	1,500 00

*Printing, Stationery and Books.*

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Expenditures,	495 90	
Transferred to moneys unappro-		
priated,	4 10	
	<hr/>	500 00

*Paupers.*

Appropriation,	2,500 00	
Received from Sup. City Farm,	426 71	
“ “ Overseers of Poor,	64 46	
	<hr/>	2,991 17

Expenditures for City Farm,	1,241 27	
"    off from City Farm	1,324 24	
Transferred to moneys unappro- priated,	425 66	2,991 17
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*Reservoirs.*

Expenditures,		1,952 97
Appropriation,	500 00	
Amount transferred from Contin- gent Expenses,	500 00	
"    "    "    Side-		
Walks and Cross-Walks,	300 00	
Transfer from moneys unappro- priated,	652 97	1,952 97
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*Repairs on Bridges.*

Expenditures,		1,089 96
Appropriation,	1,000 00	
Received for Plank,	25 00	
Transfer from moneys unappro- priated	64 96	1,089 96
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*Schools.*

Appropriation,	7,500 00	
State School Fund,	141 92	7,641 92
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*Apportionment.*

School Dist. No.	1,	5,624 17	
	2,	429 06	
Amount carried forward,			6,053 23

Amount brought forward,		6,053 23
*School Dist. No. 3,	170 09	
4.	243 52	
5,	220 33	
6,	216 46	
7,	193 27	
8,	266 71	
9,	278 31	
	<hr/>	7,641 92

*Streets and Highways.*

Appropriation,	6,250 00	
Receipts,	16 25	6,266 25
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Expenditures,	5,596 65	
Transfer to moneys unappro-		
priated,	669 60	6,266 25
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*Street Lamps.*

Appropriation,		700 00
Expenditure,	698 34	
Transferred to moneys unappro-		
priated,	1 66	700 00
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*Side-Walks and Cross-Walks.*

Transferred to Reservoirs,	300 00	
Expenditures,	281 92	581 92
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Appropriation,	500 00	
Received from abutters,	15 00	
Transferred from moneys unappro-		
priated,	66 92	581 92
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*Sewers and Drains.*

Expenditure,		\$2,363 72
Appropriation,	2,200 00	
Transferred from moneys unappropriated,	163 72	2,363 72
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*Moneys Unappropriated.*

Transferred to Overlayings,	1,080 93	
“ Reservoirs,	652 97	
“ Repairs on Bridges,	64 96	
“ Side-Walks and		
“ Cross-Walks,	66 92	
“ Sewers and Drains,	163 72	
Transfer from City Officers,		93 57
“ Contingent Expenses,		656 54
“ Discount on Taxes,		3 81
“ Fire Department,		186 44
“ Highways,		669 60
“ Interest on City Debt,		851 55
“ New Engine House,		49 46
“ Police and Night		
Watch,		97 15
“ Paupers Account,		425 66
“ Printing, Stationery		
and Books,		4 10
“ Street Lamps,		1 66
Balance to City Debt,	1,010 04	
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	3,039 54	3,039 54

*City Debt.*

Balance of Debt, March 1, 1869,	84,132 23	
“ State of Maine Bonds,		27,708 33
“ Balance from moneys un-		
appropriated		1,010 04
“ of Debt Feb. 28, 1870,		55,413 86
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	84,132 23	84,132 23

## LIABILITIES AND ASSETS.

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### LIABILITIES.

#### *City Bonds.*

Am't outstanding March 1, 1869,	\$50,000 00
“ Exchanged for State of Maine Bonds,	1,000 00
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“ Outstanding Feb. 28, 1870,	49,000 00

#### *City Notes.*

Am't outstanding March 1, 1869,	34,475 39	
“ Issued during the year,	32,450 00	
	<hr/>	66,925 39
“ Paid during the year,		31,700 00
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“ outstanding Feb. 28, 1870,		35,225 39

#### *County of York, County Tax.*

Am't due on County Tax, March		
1, 1869,	1,405 54	
“ “ “ for 1869,	5,084 69	
	<hr/>	6,490 23
“ pd. bal. County tax of 1868,	1,405 54	
“ “ “ in part of 1869,	2,500 00	
	<hr/>	3,905 54
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Am't due Feb. 28, 1870,		2,584 69

#### *Interest on City Debt.*

Am't accrued March 1, 1869,	1,391 27	
“ “ during the year,	4,706 51	
	<hr/>	6,097 78
“ “ on State Bonds,	667 50	
“ paid during the year,	4,408 98	
	<hr/>	5,076 48
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Due Feb. 28, 1870,		1,021 30

*Land Damages.*

Am't due sundry persons March 1 1869,	99 77
" paid      "      " during the year,	12 93
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	86 84

*State of Maine, State Tax.*

Am't due on State Tax, Mar. 1, '69,	7,500 00	
"      State tax of 1869,	20,952 68	
	<hr/>	28,452 68
" pd. Bal. State tax, of '68	7,500 00	
"      " in part tax of '69,	10,746 92	
	<hr/>	18,246 92
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" due Feb. 28, 1870,		10,205 76

*Schools.*

Bal. due School Dist. March 1, 1869,	687 81	
State School Fund,	141 92	
Appropriation,	7,500 00	
	<hr/>	8,329 73
Expenditures,		8,052,60
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Bal. due the several school districts, Feb. 28, 1870,		277 13

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**ASSETS.**

D. Tuxbury, Collector, 1866,	
Am't uncollected tax March 1, 1869,	58 82
" collected during the year,	12 05
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	46 77
D. Tuxbury, Collector, 1867,	
Am't uncollected tax Mar. 1, 1869,	847 68
" collected during the year,	393 31
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	454 37

D. Tuxbury, Collector, 1868,	
Am't uncollected tax Mar. 1, 1869,	9,452 81
" collected during the year,	8,503 50
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	949 31
D. Tuxbury, Collector, 1868,	
Am't Side-walk Assessment,	456 29
" collected,	436 85
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Am't due Feb. 28, 1870,	19 44
Joseph F. Dearing, Collector, 1869,	
Am't tax committed,	68,945 70
" collected during the year,	54,490 99
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	14,454 71
<i>State of Maine,</i>	
Am't due on State Bonds,	26,700 00
" " " " School Fund,	141 92
" " " " Pensions,	84 00
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Am't due Mar. 1, 1870,	26,925 92
<i>Jason W. Beatty, Treasurer,</i>	
Am't Rec'd during the year,	99,743 54
" Payments,	99,380 89
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Bal. due Feb. 28, 1870,	362 65

### RECAPITULATION.

<i>Liabilities,</i>	
City Bonds,	\$49,000 00
City Notes,	35,225 39
County of York, County Tax,	2,584 69
Interest on City Debt,	1,256 22
Land Damages,	86 84
State of Maine, State Tax,	10,205 76
School Districts,	268 13
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	\$98,627 03

*Assets,*

D. Tuxbury, Collector, 1866,	46 77	
“ “ “ 1867,	454 37	
“ “ “ 1868,	949 31	
“ “ “ Side-		
walk Assessment,	19 44	
J. F. Dearing, Coll., 1869,	14,454 71	
State of Maine, State School Fund,	141 92	
“ “ “ Bonds,	26,700 00	
State of Maine, State Pensions,	84 00	
J. W. Beatty, Treasurer,	362 65	43,213 17
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Bal. of Debt, Feb. 28, 1870,		\$55,413 86

Accounts in detail of Receipts and Expenditures may be found under their appropriate heads.

CHARLES LITTLEFIELD, Auditor.

**STATEMENT**  
OF THE  
**RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES**  
OF THE  
**CITY OF SACO,**

From March 1, 1869, to Feb. 28, 1870, inclusive.

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• **RECEIPTS.**

*Cash.*

Am't on hand March 1, 1869,	93 98
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*Contingent Expenses.*

Am't rec'd from Rent of Jail,	150 00	
“ “ “ Liquor Agency,	310 89	
“ “ “ Gravel Pit,	50,00	
“ “ “ City Hall,	253 37	
“ “ “ Board of Health,	8 00	
“ “ “ Licenses,	84 00	
“ “ “ Sundry Sources,	54 32	910 58

*Highways.*

Am't rec'd from Highway Dis. No. 4,	16 25
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*Interest on City Debt.*

Am't rec'd for int. on Tax of 1867,	18 49	
1868,	304 45	
1869,	46 29	
Accrued Int. on State Bond sold,	21 33	390 56

*Notes Payable.*

Am't rec'd on Notes,	32,450 00
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*Paupers.*

Rec'd from Sup. City Farm,	426 71	
" Overseers of Poor,	64 46	491 17

*Repairs on Bridges.*

Am't rec'd of Street Com. Dis. 4,	25 00
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*State of Maine.*—Reimbursement claim.

Am't Cash rec'd,	8 33
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*State Bonds.*

Rec'd on Bond sold,	1,000 00
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*State of Maine.*—State School Fund,

Rec'd from State, for School Fund,	153 41
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*State of Maine.*—State Pensions.

Rec'd from State for State Pensions,	21 00
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*Side Walk and Cross Walk Tax of 1868,*

Am't rec'd of D. Tuxbury, Coll.,	436 85
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*Side Walks and Cross Walks,*

Am't rec'd of Abuttry,	15 00
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*School District No. 1.*

Am't rec'd from School Agents,	9 00
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Tax of 1863 & 1864—Am't rec'd of J. C. Bradbury, Coll.,	322 56
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Tax of 1866—Am't rec'd of D. Tuxbury, Coll.,	12 05
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Tax of 1867,—Am't rec'd of D. Tuxbury, Coll.,	393 31
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Tax of 1868—Am't rec'd of D. Tuxbury, Coll.,	8,503 50
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Tax of 1869—Am't rec'd of J. F. Dearing, Coll.,	54,490 99
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Total Receipts,	99,743 54
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## EXPENDITURES.

*Abatements.*

Paid abatements to sundry persons,	72 00	
“ J. C. Bradbury, Coll., 1863 & 4,	322 56	
“ D. Tuxbury, “ 1866,	17 20	
“ “ “ “ 1867,	284 94	
“ “ “ “ 1868,	572 32	
“ J. F. Dearing, “ 1869	1,003 24	2,272 26

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## CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid for cleaning out Cutts tomb,	2 25	
Repairs and materials for pump and pumping water,	127 22	
Repairs on reservoirs,	6 19	
Horse hire, Sup. School Committee,	17 25	
Watering trough,	6 00	
Street numbers,	2 79	
Guide boards and sign posts,	37 50	
Care of clock and repairs,	25 08	
Winding clock and ringing bell,	17 00	
Hauling engine and repairs on engine house,	5 00	
Rent and cleaning Ward rooms,	16 00	
Damage by defective highway,	14 00	
Expenses searching records,	9 10	
Rent, labor and material for Municipal Court room,	233 14	
Supplies and repairs for jail,	62 75	
Monuments for streets,	8 25	
Postage and revenue stamps,	2 31	
Supplies and repairs for Council rooms,	50 54	
Refreshments for Firemen,	6 31	

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Amount carried forward,

\$648 68

Amount brought forward,		\$648 68
Taking statistics of births & deaths,	5 00	
Interest and expense of erroneous tax,	23 99	
Flax seed for sealer of measures,	2 50	
Services and expenses of Detective,	184 05	
Expense getting State Bonds from Augusta,	8 10	
Surveying, engineering, and drafting plans,	18 75	
Committee on streets,	42 50	
Horse hire for same,	20 75	
Committee on public property,	2 00	
“ “ accounts,	55 00	
Preparing rooms for elections, caucuses, &c.	15 70	
Services in Council rooms,	83 10	
Expenses to Portland for books,	3 20	
Express on books,	75	
Services and expenses for equal. of Bounty,	23 75	
Services and expenses for State valuation,	47 25	
Services and expenses attending cases in Court,	19 30	
Examining Collector's books '66, '67, '68 & '69,	18 50	
Materials for fence on Common,	3 07	
Services on new engine house '68,	16 00	
“ “ abutments, Main St.,	23 00	
“ taking care of pauper,	13 71	
Removing nuisance, per order, Board of Health,	8 00	
Expenses proving claims against tax payers,	17 70	
Supplies for City Marshal's Office,	12 00	
Sundry small bills,	25 96	
Clerk of Common Council,	50 00	\$1,392 31

*City Hall.*

Paid for Gas,	79 80	
Supplies and repairs,	118 79	
Superintendence,	43 00	
Furnace, (less old iron sold,)	112 07	
Stove for engine hall,	35 35	389 01
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*Insane Hospital.*

Paid for clothing and subsistence,	271 64
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*Reform School.*

Paid for subsistence,	91 57
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*Liquor Agency.*

Paid salary of Agent,	146 00	
Liquors and freight,	80 51	226 51
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		\$2,371 04

*City Bonds.*

Exchanged for State Bond,	1,000 00
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*City Officers.*

Paid Mayor's salary,	200 00	
Treasurer's salary,	250 00	
Commission to Collector for 1868,	83 93	
"    "    "    "    1869,	504 00	
Sup. School Committee,	208 00	
Assessors,	664 50	
City Clerk,	450 00	
Auditor,	150 00	
City Marshal,	125 00	
Board of Health,	41 00	
City Physician,	50 00	
Overseers of Poor,	180 00	2 906 43
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*Cole's Brook Bridge.*

Paid for labor and materials,	800 00
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*County of York.*

Paid bal. County tax of 1868,	1,405 54	
Paid in part County tax of 1869,	2,500 00	3,905 54
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*Discount on Taxes.*

Paid six per cent. discount on taxes, paid on or before July 10, 1869,		2,996 19
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*Fire Department.*

Paid Firemen's salaries,	\$1,195 05	
Hauling engines,	201 50	
Fuel and gas,	258 77	
Hose,	689 00	
Oil clothing,	98 00	
Rent of Hook and Ladder house,	11 61	
Repairs and supplies,	378 63	
Engineers,	175 00	
Holes in ice,	6 00	\$3,013 56
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*HIGHWAYS.**Highway District No. 1.*

Labor of men and teams and materials,	\$1,128 55
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*Highway District No. 2.*

Labor of men and teams and materials,	1,162 42
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*Highway District No. 3.*

Labor of men and teams and materials,	900 47
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*Highway District No. 4.*

Labor of men and teams and materials,	2,396 26
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*Highways.*

Paid for labor and materials,	8 95	5,596 65
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*Interest on City Debt.*

Paid to sundry persons, interest on Notes and Bonds,		4,408 98
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*Improvement of Common.*

Paid for labor and materials,		200 00
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*Land Damages.*

Paid land damages to sundry persons,		12 93
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*Maple St. and Irving St.*

Paid for labor of men, teams and materials,		900 00
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*Notes Payable.*

Paid City Notes maturing this year,		31,700 00
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*New Engine House.*

Paid for labor and materials,		300 54
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*Police and Night Watch.*

Paid for Police and Night Watch,		1,402 85
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*Printing, Stationery and Books.*

Paid for Printing,	326 61	
Stationery,	43 27	
Books,	97 02	
Binding,	29 00	495 90

*Paupers.*

Paid for supplies and expenses for Paupers,		2,565 51
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*Reservoirs.*

Paid for labor and materials,	1,952 97
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*Repairs on Bridges.*

Paid for labor and materials,	1,089 96
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*Street Lamps.*

Paid for oil and matches,	41 30	
Gas,	546 80	
Repairs and lighting,	27 76	
Lamp posts, lanterns, &c.,	82 48	698 34
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*Side Walks and Cross Walks.*

Paid for labor and materials,	281 92
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*Sewers and Drains.*

Paid for labor and materials,	2,363 72
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*State of Maine.*

Paid bal. State tax of 1868,	7,500 00	
“ in part State tax of 1869,	10,500 00	18,000 00
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*School Districts.*

No. 1,	Paid salaries and supplies,	5,818 16	
2,	“ “ “	615 87	
3,	“ “ “	170 09	
4,	“ “ “	282 69	
5,	“ “ “	230 15	
7,	“ “ “	193 27	
8,	“ “ “	462 23	
9,	“ “ “	289 14	8,061 60
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*State of Maine.*

Paid State Pensions to sundry persons,	84 00
Total expenditures of the City of Saco, from	
March 1, 1869, to February 28, 1870,	99,380 99

## RECAPITULATION.

Receipts,		99,743 54
Expenditures,	99,380 89	
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	362,65	99,743 54

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Real and Personal Property of the City of Saco,  
February 28, 1870.

City Building and Lot,	\$20,000 00	
City Farm,	3,500 00	
City Prison and Lot,	6,000 00	
Engine House and Lot, Thornton Avenue,	4,800 00	
One fourth House and Lot, Common Street,	100 00	
Wilkinson Gravel Pit,	250 00	34,650 00
Clock and Bell,	1,663 45	
Stock and supplies on Farm,	1,793 35	
Fence around Jail yard,	320 00	
Improvements on Common,	831 83	
Furnishings in Court Room,	1,150 00	
Liquors in Agency,	62 38	
Reservoirs,	6,177 97	
Two hand Engines and Apparatus,	4,000 00	
Hook & Ladder Carriage and Apparatus,	450 00	
Steam Fire Engine and Apparatus,	5,000 00	
Furniture in City Council Rooms,	270 00	
Furniture in Municipal Court Room,	100 00	21,818 98

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CHARLES LITTLEFIELD,

*Auditor of Accounts.*

Saco, March 14, 1870.

# REPORT

## OF THE

# OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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TO THE HON. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

The Overseers of the Poor for the fiscal year ending February 28, 1870, would respectfully offer the following report.

The number of families who have received aid off from the City farm has been 47—of this number 32 are native born—15 of foreign birth.

Though the number of families of foreign birth who have been assisted is as 1 to 2 of native born, yet the amount they have received has been nearly double. If our City farm accommodations were greater, we venture to say that much might be saved to the City by sending to it many who receive aid during the winter months.

### CITY FARM.

#### *Expenditures.*

For stock, labor, supplies, &c.,	\$866 27	
Salary of Nath'l Billings, for one year,	375 00	1,241 27
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#### *Receipts.*

From sale of produce and stock,	426 71	426 71
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Excess of Expenditures over Receipts,		814 56



*Profit and Loss.*

Stock and supplies on Farm, March 1, 1869,	1,860 80	
Excess of Expenditures over receipts.	814 56	2,675 36
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Stock and supplies on Farm, Mar. 1, '70,	1,793 35	
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Net expense of Farm,	\$882 01	

## SUPPORT OF POOR OFF FROM FARM.

*Expenditures.*

For supplies and expenses for paupers,	\$1,324 24
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*Receipts.*

From Town of Lagrange,	\$50 96	
Received on Note, E. H. Leavitt,	11 50	
Refunded by Paupers,	2 00	
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		\$64 46
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Excess of expenditures over receipts,		1,259 78

## GENERAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

*Expenditures.*

Total expenditures for City Farm,	\$1,241 27	
Off from farm,	1,324 24	2,565 51
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*Receipts.*

Total receipts from City Farm,	426 71	
Off from Farm,	64 49	\$491 17
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		2,074 34
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Deficit of stock and supplies on Farm,		67 45
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Actual expense for the year,		\$2,141 79

Present number of paupers on the Farm, 23—average number, 19.

Annexed we present an inventory of stock and produce on City Farm, together with such suggestions as seem to us worthy of consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS A. BOOTHBY, } OVERSEERS  
PAUL C. SANDS,        } OF POOR.

## STOCK ON CITY FARM, SACO, MARCH 1, 1870.

22 tons of hay, at \$18,	\$396 00	
1 yoke Oxen,	210 00	
1 Bull,	40 00	
6 Cows at \$45,	270 00	
3 Yearlings,	50 00	
1 Horse,	100 00	
9 Sheep,	36 00	
25 Cords Wood, at \$3,	75 00	
5 Swine, at \$15,	75 00	
3-4 Ton Coal,	8 25	
5 Bbls. Pork, at \$30,	150 00	
3 1-2 Bbls. Beef, at \$16,	56 00	
3 Bbls. Soap, at \$3,	9 00	
100 Bush. Potatoes, at 50c,	50 00	
20 Gal. Molasses, at 62c,	12 40	
Vegetables,	10 00	
40 Bush. Corn, at \$1 20,	48 00	
13 Bush. Barley, at \$1 25,	16 25	
3 Bush. Oats, at 75c,	2 25	
7 Bush. Beans, at \$2,	14 00	
50 lbs. Butter, at 40c,	20 00	
85 lbs. Lard, at 22c,	18 70	
35 lbs. Tallow, at 10c,	3 50	
30 lbs. Candles, at 15c,	4 50	
1 1-2 Bbls. Flour, at \$8,	12 00	
13 Yards Flannel, at 50c,	6 50	
Farming Tools,	100 00	\$1,793 35

The propriety of disposing of our City farm and procuring one nearer the village, has for some time been urged by many of our heaviest taxpayers.

We believe, that a farm within one or two miles of the village, would be a source of much more profit, provided a suitable one can be obtained at a reasonable price.

One turn per day to the village is all that can be made by ox teams from our present farm. Dressing bought at the village at \$4.00 per cord would when landed at the farm cost, (at a fair price for carting,) \$8.00.

We think a farm can be procured where four or more turns per day can be performed as easily as one can be made now.

It must be apparent to every casual observer that a farm nearer the village could be kept in a much higher state of cultivation for the same outlay than one 5 or 6 miles away. The scrapings of our streets instead of being carried away by private individuals, should be used on the City farm as top dressing.

The item of gravel is of no small importance to the City of Saco; without it, our roads and streets at certain seasons of the year, would be almost impassable.

If a farm containing a sufficient amount of gravel on it to supply the wants of the City for a number of years can be bought at a reasonable price, would it not be wisdom in our City Government to secure it at once?

The buildings on the City farm, with the exception of the barn are unfit and nearly worthless. It would require an outlay of not less than \$4,000, to erect such as would be suitable for the required purpose. To suppose that the present buildings can be patched and propped up, and made to answer for any length of time is, in our opinion, simply folly. They are a disgrace to our City as they now stand, and we hope for our credit the disgrace will soon be wiped out.

It is for you, gentlemen of the City Council, to say whether it would be for the interest of the City to expend \$4,000 on our present farm, or to sell and purchase one in a proper locality.

In conclusion, gentlemen, permit us to call your attention to

one other matter, which in our opinion is worthy of your consideration.

Horse or Ox teams kept on the City farm could be profitably employed on our streets both in Summer and Winter, in hauling gravel and breaking roads.

# REPORT

## OF

# CITY MARSHAL.

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CITY MARSHAL'S OFFICE, SACO, March 1, 1870.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL.

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report of the operations of the Police Department of this City, for the municipal year ending March 1, 1870.

The whole number of arrests which have been made the past year, is one hundred and forty-two, for the following causes, viz :

For intoxication and disturbing peace.	60	
Assault and battery.	25	
Breaking and entering.	14	
Larceny,	12	
Malicious mischief.	7	
Selling intoxicating liquor.	5	
Searching for intoxicating liquor.	5	
Search for stolen goods,	3	
Assault with intent to kill.	1	
Night walking,	3	
Fast driving,	2	
Obtaining goods under false pretence.	3	
Cruelty to animals,	2	142

No. of Truants sent to school, 60.

“ “ “ “ Reform school, 2.

Amount of stolen goods recovered, \$122.

Whole No. of calls, 190.

Amount received for licenses, \$84 00, as follows :

Dogs,	\$42	
Billiards,	20	
Bowling Alley,	6	
Circuses,	10	
Auctioneer,	5	
To sell gunpowder,	1	\$84

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Two Policemen have been constantly on duty as night watch men during the past year, at \$1.75 each per night.

Amount paid out for day police \$25.00.

I would recommend the appointment of one man to be on duty Sundays to preserve order.

Respectfully submitted,

OBADIAH DURGIN, City Marshal.

**R E P O R T**  
**O F T H E**  
**C I T Y S O L I C I T O R .**

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TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

The undersigned respectfully submits the following report.

Three suits against the City are now pending in the Supreme Judicial Court, viz :—that of John Gilpatric, and that of the Portland, Saco and Portsmouth Railroad Co., in relation to taxes, and that of William Hobson for personal injury alleged to have been caused by a defect in the highway.

\* The Gilpatric case has been argued at the Law Term. The P. S. & P. Railroad Co's suit awaits the decision in the suit of Mr. Gilpatric.

The suit of William Hobson was entered at the January Term and stands continued, assigned for trial on an appointed day of next Term.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. BURNHAM, Solicitor.

March 14, 1870.

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\* This case has been since decided in favor of the City.



# REPORT

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## CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF SACO :

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor herewith to submit my report of the services and condition of the Fire Department for the year ending March 1, 1870.

The Department has been called out thirty-nine times during the year, to fires and false alarms ; fourteen fires have occurred in Biddeford, and thirteen in Saco, and twelve false alarms.

Property destroyed in Saco to the amount of about \$16,000.

The Department consists of one Steamer, the Saco No. 1, 20 men. Hand machine No. 3, Niagara, 50 men. Hand machine No. 4, Deluge. 50 men.

Hook and Ladder no Company.

The Steamer has on hand about 1000 feet of reliable hose, and about 400 feet partly worn out, and 200 feet worthless, also two sets of iron grates, a sufficient amount of oil clothing for hosemen and pipemen, in good order.

The Deluge has 850 feet of reliable hose, and sufficient oil clothing for hosemen and pipemen, in good order.

The Niagara has 550 feet good hose, and oil clothing for the hosemen and pipemen, in good order.

The machines are all in good order, and will not (under ordi-

nary circumstances) require any unusual outlay for repairs, the year ensuing, unless it should be found upon examination and test, that the boiler in the Steamer is defective. which examination and test, I recommend to take place at once, it having been in service a number of years.

### STEAMER.

The Steamer appears to be in good condition and well manned, but loses very much of its efficiency, for want of a pair of horses connected with it; the Engineer and Fireman living at some distance from the machine consume time in getting to it, which could be more profitably employed in the extinguishment of fire, if they and the machine were earlier on the ground; in consideration of these facts I would recommend that the City purchase a pair of horses for the Steamer, and that the machine be removed to the engine house on Thornton Avenue; also, that a small stable be built in the rear of the engine house, to keep the horses in, and that the rooms in the second story of the engine house be converted into a tenement, for the use of the Driver, Engineer or Fireman.

There is no doubt in my mind, that the horses would be a source of profit to the City, and add very much to the efficiency of the Steamer at the same time.

### HAND MACHINES.

I am happy to be able to report, an improvement in this arm of the department which is very gratifying. The Niagara No. 3 has been put in service, and a good company formed for her, which is in a prosperous condition, and rendered valuable aid whenever they have been called upon.

The Deluge No. 4 is also in a prosperous condition, and show a decided improvement in discipline and efficiency during the past year.

### HOOK AND LADDER TRUCK.

In the early part of the year, a company was formed for the truck, and organized, but I am sorry to say that I am not able

to report any company at present connected with it, but hope we shall not be for any great length of time deprived of the services of a company in this important arm of the Fire Department.

### RESERVOIRS.

I will call your attention to the fact that we have only one reservoir west of Elm St., (*and that a very small one,*) and recommend that a small reservoir with inlet from the river, be placed at, or near the junction of Spring and Water Sts., also that a reservoir be constructed on Hill St. near the house of Phineas Libby, and so arranged that it can be supplied with water from the brook, that crosses the street at that point, also, that a wooden reservoir be constructed near the P. S. & P. R.R. Depot, and supplied with water from the brook near that place. The expense of all three of the above reservoirs would be trifling compared with the benefits we should derive from them in case of fire in either of the localities above mentioned, as the Fire Department would be powerless for want of water without them.

For expenses see Auditor's Report.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

O. B. CHADBOURNE, Chief Engineer.

Saco, March 14th, 1870.

# REPORT

## OF

# LIQUOR AGENCY.

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*Liquor Agency—BENJAMIN CLARK, Agent.*

Am't of liquor on hand March 1, 1869,	\$192 63	
Paid for liquors and freight,	80 51	
Agent's salary,	146 00	419 14
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Am't of liquor on hand Feb. 28, 1870,	62 38	
Received from sales of liquor,	310 89	373 27
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Loss of Agency,		45 87

# REPORT

## OF THE

# CITY PHYSICIAN.

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TO THE CITY COUNCIL :

The City Physician submits the following report :

Forty individuals have received medical aid during the past municipal year. Of this number, six were attended at the City farm and the remaining thirty-four at their respective homes. In attendance upon these it has been necessary\* to make ninety-three visits ; of which six were at the City farm, and eighty-seven at their private dwellings. There were during the year four births and two deaths, at the City farm.

J. P. GRANT, City Physician.

Saco, March 14, 1870.

# REPORT

O F

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

The Board of Health of the City of Saco, herewith report :

That they have visited on complaint, thirteen different localities, and all other places within the immediate limits of the City, where it was feared, or where they had reason to believe causes existed, dangerous to life or health ; and in all instances where they found reason for complaint, or sources of filth, or any cause which in their judgment was injurious to health, or dangerous to life, have taken measures to have the same immediately removed, and the premises to be put in a condition favorable to health.

We would take this opportunity to call your attention especially to the matter of sewerage. It is a well known fact to every inhabitant of the City living within half a mile of the City Hall, that the cellars are damp and in some cases there is standing water in them during the year, except perhaps those situated in the immediate vicinity of the Main St. sewer. And many of our tenement houses throughout the City have no drains either for cellar or sink. Owing partly to the compact nature of the sub-soil as well as to the low and level site of the City, we must continue to suffer until a permanent and thorough sewerage is established. While the present state of things exist, we can but have a fruitful source of disease in its multifarious forms.

A little has been accomplished in the right direction, more is earnestly demanded.

J. E. L. KIMBALL,  
STEPHEN C. LIBBY,  
EDWIN B. SMITH.

Saco, Feb. 19. 1870.

## R U L E S

### For Entering the Main Street Sewer.

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1st. The several persons owning lands abutting on Main St., on the line of the Main St. Sewer, may be permitted to construct drains from their lots into said Sewer upon the following terms, having first obtained a license therefor of the Mayor and Aldermen.

2d. The abutters upon the line of Main St. Sewer shall pay for such permission the following rate, viz: *forty cents per foot front*; owners of lots on other streets shall pay twenty cents per foot front; provided that whenever it is the opinion of the Joint Standing Committee on Sewers and Drains that any person should and of right ought to be permitted to enter said sewer at a less rate than herein specified, the Mayor may grant permit at such price as the City Council shall determine.

3d. All side drains connected with said Main Street Sewer shall be constructed of stone, hard burnt brick, iron, or cement pipe, and all joints and connections securely cemented.

4th. All applications for permits shall be in writing, and shall distinctly describe the land or lot to which they are to apply. The privilege granted by such permit shall be available to the owner of the land described, his heirs and assigns, and shall run with the land without any subsequent charge or payment therefor.

5th. If any person shall connect any private drain with said Sewer or enter the same by any side drain without a permit obtained therefor as provided, or shall permit any other drain to be connected with his drain leading to said sewer, the Mayor and Aldermen shall be empowered forthwith to cause such connection to be broken and destroyed.



# **R E P O R T**

O F

## **SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

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TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL :

With the close of another fiscal year, in compliance with custom, we beg leave to present the following suggestions, relative to the progress and wants of our schools.

### **SCHOOL MONEY.**

The amount appropriated for 1869 was \$7,500. This with the amount received from the State \$141.92, makes a total of \$7,641.92. This sum has been judiciously and equitably apportioned and expended, but believing it quite too small an amount, we suggest the expediency of your increasing the appropriations for the present fiscal year.

### **SCHOOL HOUSES.**

We would solicit your special attention to the fact, that, in some of our districts, the school houses are poor, dilapidated, inconvenient and unhealthy. Every moral and legal consideration imperatively demands, that more suitable ones be promptly provided. Parents provide for the convenience, health and comfort of their children, while at home, yet these same parents, most of them with ample means, send their sons and daughters to school houses filled to repletion, too low posted for good

air—with no proper or healthful means of ventilation—with hard ill constructed seats and forms, with little or no furnishing for the convenience of teacher or scholar. In proof of this you have only to visit that bane of our City, that structure, “that has come down to us from a former generation,” the Pleasant St. School building, or the so called Sandy Brook institution. In district No. 1—our number of scholars has so much increased, that another building is imperatively demanded—one of sufficient size to accommodate the High, Grammar and Intermediate schools, leaving our present brick buildings for the accommodation of our Primary grades. We, therefore, earnestly recommend the appointment of a committee, whose duty it shall be to examine into, and report upon, the conditions and wants of our school structures, and to select and report a suitable place for the erection of such a building as we have named. We, also, recommend an ample appropriation for its erection, the disposal of the lot and building on Pleasant St. and a sufficient fund be placed in the hands of our efficient and zealous agents for the apparent and much needed repairs in and about the so called High, Middle St. and Green St. School houses. In districts 3, 4, 7 and 8 repairs are also much needed, and we trust, “a word to the wise is sufficient.” In district 6 the old apology for a school house was burned the past year, and a neat, commodious, and model one has been erected and furnished with the modern style of seats and desks. District 9 needs a new house similar to that in district 6.

## SCHOOLS.

Our schools are mostly in a very prosperous and satisfactory condition. Teachers have been selected with care and have proved themselves worthy of the trusts committed to them. Believing that a teacher ought to know more than the very things he is teaching, we have conducted our examinations with a view to raising the standard of our schools, and as a necessary consequence, we have refused the granting of certificates to three applicants, and, so long as it shall be our province thus to stand as guardians and disbursers of the public school funds, we shall

faithfully and impartially perform our whole duty—granting permits to those alone, who, by strict trial or due examination, shall prove themselves worthy of our patronage. We have also during the year dismissed two teachers. Some of our Summer Schools, in the surrounding districts, were not what we wish they had been, but this winter's schools have, in nearly every case, been a credit to the teachers and an honor to the City, and we challenge a more faithful corps of teachers or better disciplined and more efficient schools than we now boast. You are well aware that our High School has been “non est” for the past two terms. Now a good High School adds but little to the expense of a school system, and, as a part of such a system, is worth more than all it costs, independent of the advantage secured by its actual pupils. Its influence permeates all the other grades, causing greater uniformity and thoroughness, a more regular attendance, a strong and constant stimulus to the pupils in the lower grades, exciting to a higher diligence in study, and awakening a laudable desire for promotion. In short it is a centre of influence and imparts dignity, reputation, and increased value to our school system and our City. We do, therefore, most earnestly recommend a liberal appropriation of school money for the present year, that the High School may immediately resume its responsibilities, and that our citizens may no longer be forced to patronize private schools, or send their children to other places for education. In conclusion, we would earnestly commend to your consideration, consolidation, whose demands were brought to your notice in the last year's report of the S. S. Committee, and so ably seconded by our worthy Mayor, in his recent inaugural. Let its claims be carefully weighed at once, and immediate action be taken, as is provided by our charter. Finally, let our common schools, that bulwark against vice and ignorance, be cherished and supported, as the corner stone of our liberties, and the handmaid of religion.

MANSON SEAVY, } S. S. Committee.  
 CHAS. H. MILLIKEN, }

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

No. District.	GRADE OF SCHOOL.	LOCATION.	NAMES OF TEACHERS.	SPRING TERM.			SUMMER TERM.			WINTER TERM.			FALL TERM.		
				Scholars Registered.	Average attendance.	Scholars Registered.	Scholars Registered.	Average attendance.	Scholars Registered.	Average attendance.	Scholars Registered.	Average attendance.	Scholars Registered.	Average attendance.	Scholars Registered.
1.	High,	Common,	C. E. Wood,	131	162	24	17	77	135	98	129	100			
"	Grammar,	Mid 11 <sup>th</sup> Street,	Miss L. Chadwick,												
"	"	"	Willis Mason,	6)	45	54	43	43	58	45	60	45			
"	Intermediate.	"	Miss J. M. Sumner,	3)	32	38	31	31	39	38	51	41			
"	"	Plaza St.,	" H. S. Dow,	4)	32	32	41	48	48	36	52	42			
"	"	Green St.,	" L. A. Deering,		51	73	58	53	53	53	66	51			
"	Primary,	Mid 11 <sup>th</sup> St.,	" A. E. Atkins,	67	47	51	43	61	70	61	66	83			
"	"	Plaza St.,	" A. Stevens,	51	43	48	42	41	61	33	39	81			
"	"	Green St.,	" A. Deering,	61	40	29	29	33	50	39	49	36			
"	"	"	" S. H. Nowell,	53	41	62	40	39	57	39	49	38			
"	"	Common,	" L. S. Gowen,	55	42	52	44	41	41	38	43	31			
"	"	"	" L. A. Rumery,	65	45	60	28	28	57		39	23			
"	"	"	" M. E. Chase,												
"	"	"	" S. C. Fields,												
"	"	"	" E. Parker,												
"	Mixed,	Port and Road,	" A. J. Tasker,			23	17	17							
"	"	Landon	" L. J. Deering,			27	12	12							
"	"	Boon	" Ge. H. Boothby,			21	17	17							
2.	"		Miss F. M. Peavy,	111	429 06										
3.	"		" M. F. Milliken,	44	170 03										
4.	"		" H. M. Carter,	63	213 53										
5.	"		H. B. Stuart,			25	22	22			41	32			
"	"		Miss M. F. Milliken,	57	220 33										
6.	"		Irby, Lord,	56	216 46						34	26			
7.	"		J. A. Lock,	50	163 27										
"	"		Miss S. Harmon,	69	266 71										
8.	"		E. M. Haines,			25	14	14			33	31			
"	"		Miss Annie Libby,			35	28	28			54	39			
"	"		Francis L. Rice,			43	32	32							
9.	"		Miss I. F. Milliken,	72	278 31										
"	"		John W. Piper,								41	31			

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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### STEAMER SAGO No. 1.

LOCATION, CUTT'S AVENUE.

#### OFFICERS.

JOHN M. NOYES, Foreman.

OREN F. CARPENTER, Clerk.

#### MEMBERS.

Adams, J. F.,  
Bryant, Austin B.,  
Boynton, Woodbury,  
Chellis, Albion K. P.,  
Dame, Charles,  
Huntress, James L.,  
King, Moses H.,  
Marston, Amos,  
Milliken, Arthur,

Redlon, C. F.,  
Ridlon, Lewis,  
Ridlon, Melville,  
Sweetsir, John W.,  
Sweetsir, Stephen,  
Temple, Charles C.,  
Towle, William G.,  
Walker, Freeman F.,  
Welch, Fred W.,

Number of members, 20.

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### NIAGARA ENGINE COMPANY, No. 3.

LOCATION, THORNTON AVENUE.

#### OFFICERS.

JOSEPH F. CHADBOURNE, Foreman.

PELTIAE FOSS, First Assistant.

WINFIELD S. HASTY, Second Assistant.

FREEMAN GOWEN, Clerk.

CHARLES B. SANDS, Treasurer.

#### MEMBERS.

Atkinson, A.,  
Berry, John H.,  
Boothby, Frank,  
Bradbury, Oliver,  
Bridges, Stephen,

Johnson, George A.,  
Kimball, Alonzo,  
Lane, Josiah,  
Libby, E. A.,  
Lewis, E. W.,

Brannan, Edward,  
 Chase, F. W.,  
 Center, J. W.,  
 Coolbroth, Benj. T.,  
 Davis, W. G.,  
 Dearborn, Joseph L.,  
 Deas, James D.,  
 Durgin, Frank L.,  
 Doyle, Simon,  
 Evans, Charles.  
 Edgecomb, W. E.,  
 Edgecomb, Amos.  
 Foss, W. H.,  
 Fowler, Charles,  
 Foss, George W.,  
 Friend, Charles,  
 Goodwin, O. W.,  
 Goshen, Emery,  
 Jose, James W.,

Lewis, Charles E.,  
 Macomber, S. F.,  
 Moore, Freeman,  
 McKedney, Chas. W.,  
 Merrill, Stephen A.,  
 Parker, O. B.,  
 Plaisted, Albert E.,  
 Snow, Daniel L.,  
 Sawyer, Frank, L.,  
 Skinner, E. W.,  
 Seavey, Jas. T.,  
 Smith, A.,  
 Smith, James H.,  
 Smith, Aaron,  
 Stewart, Charles,  
 Titcomb, George A.,  
 Waterhouse, I. S.,  
 Waterhouse, William,  
 Young, Joseph.

Number of members, 53.

## DELUGE ENGINE COMPANY, No. 4.

LOCATION, CUTT'S AVENUE.

### OFFICERS.

SAMUEL G. SOMERS, Foreman.  
 PETER HALEY, First Assistant.  
 EDWARD JOHNSON, Second Assistant.  
 DAVID T. MOULTON, Clerk.  
 FRANK W. NUTTER, Treasurer.

### MEMBERS.

Ames, Alec,  
 Andrews, John.  
 Andrews, Gould,  
 Armstrong, William.  
 Brady, Charles,  
 Bisbee, Albion,  
 Barrows, George,  
 Boothby, Charles,  
 Bryant, Clarence.

Libby, Horace,  
 Leavitt, Geo. A.,  
 Littlefield, Seth,  
 Lane, Emery L.,  
 McKallister, Myron.  
 Mannal, William,  
 Mitchell, Frank,  
 McKenney, John,  
 Moors, Stephen,

Burnham, Frank,  
 Curnell, James H.,  
 Cleaves, George,  
 Curnell, Charles,  
 Currier, Edmund,  
 Dyer, Oliver,  
 Dennett, Joseph,  
 Doar, Frank,  
 Esty, H.,  
 Foss, Charles,  
 Furbush, George,  
 Finney, J. E.,  
 Fenderson, Collins,  
 Googing, Augustus,  
 Grant, George,  
 Hanson, Harlen,  
 Hooper, Jason,  
 Hearne, A. S.,  
 Harmon, Frank,  
 Harmon, Wm.,  
 Hardin, Noah,  
 Hanson, Charles,  
 Jose, Charles,  
 Johnson, Rufus,  
 Johnson, Charles,  
 Lowell, Frank,  
 Lowell, Geo. S.,  
 Libby, Oscar,

Murphy, Charles,  
 McColloch, George,  
 Noyes, Frank C.,  
 Osgood, Wm.,  
 Paterson, George D.,  
 Pillsbury, F. R.,  
 Rounds, Stephen,  
 Redlon, B. F.,  
 Ricker, Edmund,  
 Ross, Eben,  
 Rounds, Oscar,  
 Stacy, Uranus,  
 Speer, Freeman,  
 Stevens, John W.,  
 Southard, Brad,  
 Sawyer, Orin,  
 Thompson, Erastus,  
 Tuttle, Alonzo,  
 Tibbetts, Abiel,  
 Underwood, George,  
 Vinton, Ernest,  
 Whitten, Walter,  
 Wedgewood, John B.,  
 Warner, Marcian,  
 Wormwell, Daniel,  
 Wingate, Alphonzo,  
 Wentworth, John,  
 Wentworth, Samuel.

Number of members, 79.

ERRATA.—On page 17, on Finance Committee, the name of Mark Prime should be added.

In statement of liabilities and assets on pages 30, 31, 32 and 33, several errors appear. For correct statement of same see Mayor's inaugural, pages 6 and 7.



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